60130-1220 01MMRA0210-CIP

REMARKS

Applicant provisionally elects Specie 4A as the Examiner suggests is shown by step 50 of Figure 1 with traverse. The present invention is drawn to a method of forming an actual assembly in which various steps in the process are illustrated in Figure 1. Notably, the Examiner refers to step 50 as Species 4A, 5B1, and 6A. This determination illustrates Applicant's contention that reference to a single step in the claimed method fails to provide a proper specie determination as delineated by the Examiner. In other words, the Examiner is suggesting a single step within the claim method is a separate specie. As such, Applicant respectfully traverses this election and suggests that all claims as currently presented may be properly pursued. However, even under the elected species, Applicant is entitled to pursue all claims except those which specifically recite a bending step such as claims 2, 7-10, and 15.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are required; however, should any fees or extensions be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative can be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully Submitted,

CARLSON, GASKEY & OLDS, P.C.

DAVID L. WISZ

Registration No. 46,350 Attorneys for Applicant 400 West Maple, Suite 350 Birmingham, Michigan 48009

(248) 988-8360

Dated: August 3, 2005

N:\Clients\MERITOR\Files 1000 to 1500\IP01220\Patent\MAmnd1220 08 02 05.doc